



Luxury car sales up in Regina

One area BMW dealer is reporting sales up 200 per cent since 2006. Possible reasons? Baby boomers treating themselves to a new ride and lower price points for some high-end vehicles.

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Rebecca Perras enjoys the vibrant colours and fragrant scents that fill the air at the Regina Floral Conservancy. It won't be long now until we can enjoy similar scenes outdoors. With planting season just around the corner, we spotlight the gardening industry on page 4. CALVIN FEHR/FOR METRO

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Riders sign up NFL QB

Football. Four players in, six released in Roughriders' latest series of deals

The Saskatchewan Roughriders added some veteran talent Thursday, signing former NFL quarterback J.T. O'Sullivan. The 32-year-old played with 10 teams over nine seasons in the NFL. He was named the San Francisco 49ers' starting quarterback heading into the 2008 season, completing 128-of-220 passes for 1,678 yards and eight touchdowns.

O'Sullivan also threw 11 interceptions, fumbled 11 times and was sacked 32 times in starting eight games.

A sixth-round pick of New Orleans in 2002, the 6-2, 232-pound O'Sullivan threw for 1,866 yards and 13 touch-

downs to go along with 39 rushing attempts for 145 yards in his NFL career.

The former University of California-Davis quarterback finished his Division 2 college career with 10,745 yards passing and 94 touchdowns.

The Riders also added three defensive backs Thursday, signing Macho Harris, Talmadge Jackson and T.J. Rushing.

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Say goodbye

The Roughriders have released the following import players: quarterback Matt Johnson, offensive lineman Clint Oldenburg, linebacker Alvin Bowen, defensive back Jamaal Fudge, defensive back Justin Wilson and defensive lineman Dario Romero.

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Tree house under threat

Armed with blind naïveté and supreme determination, a rookie carpenter living out of his car set out to build his first "house." Joel Allen's dream tree house deep in a B.C. forest (and built with no electrical power) is being threatened. Watch at metronews.ca

Going all out for prom

Never mind a text that meekly asks "will u go 2 prom w/me?" Today's high-schoolers are taking a cue from elaborately staged wedding proposals, inviting each other to prom with flash mobs, scavenger hunts, homemade music videos and even airplane banners flying over the beach. Full story and videos at metronews.ca



Mobile news

Good news for New York bats. Researchers have found brown-bat populations are rebounding after millions were killed by the deadly white-nose syndrome. Scan the code for the story.

Culture

Free dance events this weekend

Two free dance performances are taking place over the weekend, hosted by New Dance Horizons and The Dunlop Art Gallery.

The first is by acclaimed Montreal artists Rober Racine and Louise Bédard, and is called La Souer do

Salomé.

The second is called Cleaver Piece. Winnipeg-based Ming Hon performs her piece that deals with themes surrounding the body.

La Souer do Salomé will take place at the Dunlop Art Gallery at 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, and Cleaver Piece will also be at the Dunlop, 8 p.m., Saturday.

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Transportation

Airport to be expanded

Bob Linner, board chairman of the Regina Airport Authority, says traffic at the Regina International Airport is growing fast and the terminal will have to be expanded and that the expansion would have to be finished by 2020. METRO

Crime

RCMP nab two Regina men, seize cocaine

On April 18 at Blue Hills area RCMP received a dispatch of two suspicious men on Highway 1 east of Carberry, Man.

The investigation led RCMP officers to the Bran-

don Greyhound Bus Depot, where the two men were located. Both were found to be on probation orders from Saskatchewan and had operated an abandoned vehicle while prohibited from driving.

RCMP found in their possession cocaine, with an estimated value of \$5,600.

A 21-year-old and an 18-year-old male from Regina, were arrested and taken into custody. METRO

Luxury car sales are up in Regina, retailers say

Deluxe wheels. Lower price ranges, more disposable income bump sales, manager says



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According to a number of local dealerships, more Regina residents than before are sliding into the leather interior of their own luxury vehicles.

Sales at Dilawri BMW have gone up 300 per cent since 2006, says Andy Kistner, new cars sales manager. "In the last two years, where before we'd sell 130 new cars in the calendar year, last year we sold 202."

Taylor Audi in Regina has seen a similar growth in sales. "We have definitely seen more demand for our luxury car market, that's for sure," says sales manager Miguel Silva. "We've seen an increase (in Saskatchewan) in our overall luxury sales."

This jump reflects a Statistics Canada report issued Tuesday that shows that more people in the province are



Infiniti Sales manager Kofi Asante chats with Hong S. Kim about the Infiniti SUV. CARRIE-MAY SIGGINS/METRO

buying new cars than a year ago. New vehicle sales went up 19 per cent in the year leading up to February 2012.

What makes Saskatchewan unique, says Silva, is that Audi dealerships in

Ontario and Quebec have not been having the sales growth that Saskatchewan has, even with cars in the lower price ranges.

"Sales are just booming in Alberta and Saskatchewan,"

says Silva. "We're very lucky to be living here right now," he says.

Kistner, who has been with Dilawri BMW for 10 years, says "It's a combination of two things happening."

The first is that baby boomers are now using their savings to treat themselves to a luxury car. "They may have been a Honda driver their entire lives, but are now looking for something different."

The second reason, Silva says, is that many companies have a relatively new lower price range for their luxury vehicles. Brands such as Lexus, Mercedes Benz, Audi and BMW offer models in the \$35,000-\$45,000 price range.

"We're getting younger people who are getting settled in their career," says Silva. "They're buying a house, and wanting to buy a good quality car."

But not all brands are enjoying this kind of success in Saskatchewan. Hong S. Kim of Dilawri Infinity says that the G series hasn't seen spectacular sales.

"It's a meat and potatoes kind of car," says Kim. But they are optimistic about 2013 — a new series of luxury SUV's are coming out next month, the JX35. "And SUV's are very popular in Saskatchewan," says Kim. He's hoping the new luxury SUV will catch up to the rest of the market.



Striking the playwright note

Jean Freeman, centre, a longtime Saskatchewan actress, writer and playwright, won the Lifetime Achievement Award at the annual Mayor's Arts & Business Awards, Thursday. She is flanked by Coun. Michael Fougere and the Honourable Laura Ross MLA. Freeman was also a regular character in the popular sitcom, *Corner Gas*. CARRIE-MAY SIGGINS/METRO

Rainfall delays seeding in parts of province

Last week, fieldwork was halted and seeding postponed in some parts of the province due to rainfall and cool weather, according to a government crop report.

The east-central and southeastern regions saw the greatest amount of precipitation in the province, with some areas recording between 20 mm and 42 mm since April 10. Many



of these areas are experiencing very wet field conditions, including areas around

Yorkton which are reporting a surplus of topsoil moisture.

But a majority of crop districts are reporting adequate hay land and pasture topsoil moisture conditions, with some areas in a surplus situation. In most crop districts, livestock

producers have adequate or surplus supplies of livestock feed. METRO

Gardeners eager to get their hands dirty after mild winter

What's blooming. Get ready for black petunias, double-blooming lilies and the 'Bloomerang' to spice up your garden

ELAINE CARLSON
For Metro in Regina

In just a week or so, Regina's greenhouses, nurseries and garden departments will be bustling with shoppers.

After an unusually mild winter, people are more than eager to get their hands into the soil to plant their gardens, dig in new shrubs and trees, and refurbish or create new flower beds.

Regina gardeners spend millions of dollars every year indulging their growing and gardening fantasies.

According to Statistics Canada's most survey in 2010, greenhouse sales in Saskatchewan reached almost \$18 million. Another \$8 million was spent on nursery sales and \$2.5 million on sod.

"And those figures don't

Quoted

"Our goal is that at least 10 per cent of our stock will be new and unique varieties. This year's finds include the twister pink verbena and a unique bougainvillea."

Larry Levens, Sherwood Greenhouses

really track the product brought in from outside the province," said Glen Sweetman, greenhouse and nursery specialist with Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food.

Nor does Statistics Canada take into account all of the approximately 230 producers operating in Saskatchewan. "Many are smaller operators, and many are cash-only producers," said Sweetman.

Connie Surowski is in her third season as gardening and greenhouse supervisor at Rona Home and Garden Centre in Regina. "It's a very busy season for us because as soon as the snow melts, we start preparing," she said.

Because Rona shops nationally and requires huge-volume suppliers, none of the nursery or greenhouse stock is sourced in Saskatchewan. Most of the bedding plants come from B.C., but some trees, shrubs and plants are also imported from the U.S.

"We do try to make sure the plants we sell here are zone-hardy, though," said Surowski, "and we do have people's favourites. The wave petunias and geraniums go fast."

Dutch Growers, operated by Tim and Karen Van Duyvendyk, is one of Regina's biggest nurseries, employing 60 or more people at this time of year. "We make 70 per cent of our yearly income in six weeks, so it takes a lot of co-ordination and orchestration," said Karen Van Duyvendyk.

Plants to watch for this year? "Double is the word," said Van Duyvendyk.

"Double lilies and day lilies, and double-blooming shrubs such as the lilac re-

Floral conservancy

Get your floral fix — right now

If you need a floral fix before your own garden starts blooming, get to the Regina Floral Conservancy at 1450B — 4th Avenue.

"The display right now is just stunning" said Jessica Paul, one of the volunteers with Regina Garden Associates, a non-profit that maintains the conservatory on behalf of the city.

"The conservatory is in full bloom with a display of spring bulbs and other spring flowers."

You can enjoy this unique and tranquil floral experience daily from 1 — 4:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Volunteers are also preparing for something

special — a come-and-go Multi-generational Family Day on Sunday, April 29, from 1 — 3:30 p.m., one of several events the Regina Garden Associates plan to help generate funding.

Admission for the event is \$5 for a family of four, or \$3 per individual. You'll need to preregister first by calling 781-4769.

"We're encouraging people to dress up for the occasion, so as well as bringing grandma and grandpa, don't forget to bring your cameras for those special family portraits," said Paul.

"We're also encouraging kids to bring along an old shoe that they can turn into a planter. They'll be able to do cuttings of succulents or other plants that they can plant and take home with them." **ELAINE CARLSON/METRO**

peat bloomer — the Bloomerang. Grasses are also very popular and add excitement to container gardening. And we'll have black petunias, this year."

Sherwood Greenhouses is a retail operation, selling direct to customers from its location on the edge of Regina.

Since it's not practical to start seedlings in mid-winter because of the high cost of heating in Saskatchewan winters, owners Larry and Mary Levens bring in most of the seedlings and cuttings from more temperate zones — from as far as China and South America.

These are then transplanted throughout their eight growing houses, depending on the plants' temperature requirements.

"Most plants are probably handled three times before they are sold to the public," said Larry Levens.

Thanks to mechanization and automation, the Levens can handle most of the work themselves — until the peak retail season begins May 1.

"Depending on the weather, we can get lineups here that are 25 people long, so we hire a few people to help until the season ends the middle of July," said Levens.



Colourful scenes like these are every gardener's dream. CALVIN FEHR/METRO

Legislature. Gardens to get a makeover for 100th anniversary celebrations

The Queen Elizabeth II Gardens will be getting an upgrade, the Provincial Capital Commission announced Thursday.

"Each year, thousands of visitors come to see the beautiful gardens at our Legislative Building in Regina," said Bill Hutchinson, minister responsible for the commission.

"We are happy to have the opportunity during this anniversary year to make important upgrades to increase the accessibility, sustainability and enjoyment offered by the beautiful space that highlights the magnificent cen-



The Saskatchewan Legislature in full summer bloom. SASKATCHEWAN GOVERNMENT

tury-old Legislative Building."

The upgrades include new lighting, paved pathways to highlight the floral beds, new Tyndall Stone benches, an improved irrigation system and renewed perimeter landscaping.

The upgrades are expected to be complete in September, in time for the public event on Oct. 11 to commemorate the 100-year anniversary of the opening of the Legislative Building. **CARRIE-MAY SIGGINS/METRO**

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Not skating, but scurrying on ice rinks this summer

Pooch property. The city passes bylaw that designates 5 ice rinks as off-leash dog parks from May to Sept.

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Scoby-Doo may be the only dog that can play hockey, but regular dogs can spend some free time in five of Regina's boarded outdoor rinks again this summer.

The City of Regina will use the rinks as off-leash dog parks at specific times.

In 2005, Regina opened the Cathy Lauritsen Memorial Off-Leash Dog Park, west of Lewvan Drive. Then last year, spring floods made the park unavailable, says Janine Daradich, co-ordinator of infrastructure strategy.

To give people a temporary alternative, the city designated five boarded outdoor rinks as off-leash dog parks, in each sector of the city:

- M.J. Coldwell Park (north Glencairn Park (east))
- Leslie Park (central)
- Mike Badham Park (south)
- Rosemont School Park (west)

The feedback was positive, Daradich says. People responded on Facebook, by phone, and to the newly formed Off-Leash Dog Park Stewardship Group.

"There were people that we spoke to at the site who said that they loved it for training their dogs because it is, you know, a little bit more contained," Daradich says.

"There were people who told us that it was great because it was right in their neighbourhood so that made it convenient for them."

As a result, this week the city passed a bylaw designating these standard-size, 55 metre by 25 metre rinks for dog-parks from May 1 to Sept. 30 each year, at specified times during the day.

The main cost will be \$1,500 for signs this year to clearly post rules and regulations at the entrances.

These rinks will also be used for other activities during school hours, and as outdoor ice rinks in winter. So dog owners will need to supervise and pick up after their dogs.

The dog park stewardship group is looking for site am-



Jack and Carolyn McCallum play with their dog, Meadow, at the Cathy Lauritsen Memorial Off-Leash Dog Park. CARRIE-MAY SIGGINS/METRO

Dog-friendly Regina

• **Licensed.** Dogs are allowed in all city parks if they have a licence, they're on a leash, and the owners pick up after them.

• **Off-leash.** Regina has one designated off-leash dog park: the Cathy Lauritsen Memorial Off-Leash Dog Park. It opened in July 2005, and is located by the multi-use pathway system along Wascana Creek, west of Lewvan Drive, south of 13th Avenue.

• **Monitoring.** The Off-Leash Dog Park Stewardship Group formed in May 2011 to provide advice and

information to city administration, and to foster a sense of ownership of the dog park among users. This group will now be monitoring the parks, and evaluating the effects on the animal bylaw.

• **Access.** Dates and times: Between May 1 and Sept. 30, from 6:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Sunday to Saturday, but 4:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. on school days.

• **Info.** For more info go to regina.ca/residents/parks/find-field-park/off-leash-dog-sites/

bassadors to help monitor the parks, and evaluate the effects on city animal bylaws.

"The ambassadors will just be out promoting the positive use of the parks, and people picking up after their pets, and those types of things," Daradich adds.

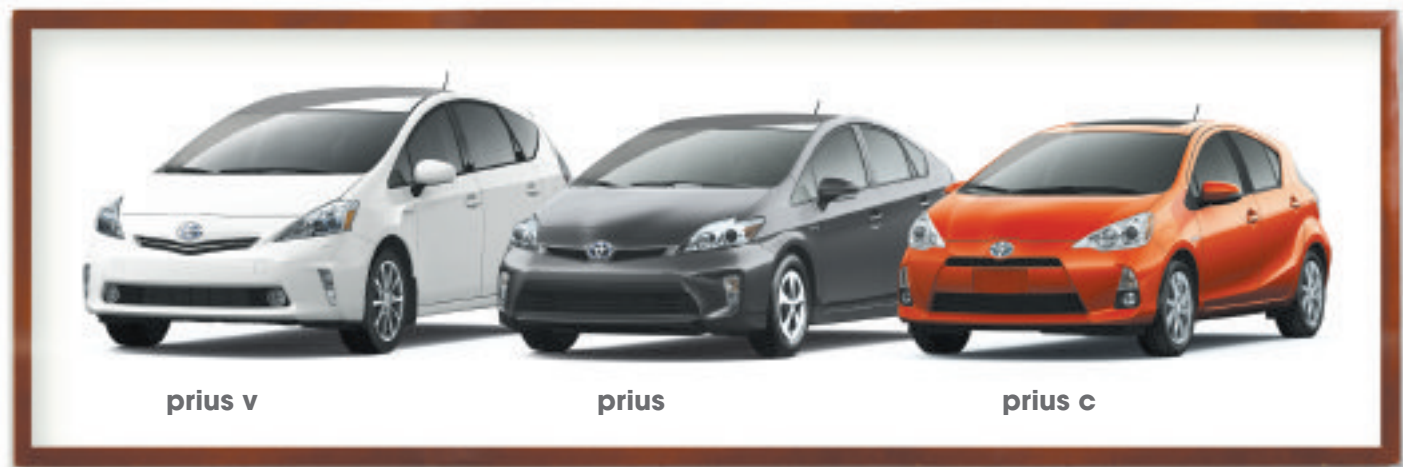
"If people want to volunteer to be ambassadors they can email dogparkmail@gmail.com."

Right now, fines for not "scooping" are handled by

bylaw enforcement officers and the humane society. "We're hoping that it won't be an issue at all," she adds.

"We're hoping that it won't be, just because we will have the park ambassadors, and they'll be out there keeping track of things. Plus we have park maintenance staff out there every day emptying the trash units, so they'll be able to keep an eye on things as well."

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Cell records appear to trace where Rafferty allegedly brought Tori

Electronic fingerprint. Cellphone records of Michael Rafferty take centre stage in murder trial

The trial of a man accused of killing Victoria Stafford is hearing that a call he apparently made to check his voice-mail places him in the Mount Forest, Ont., area the night the eight-year-old was killed.

Cellphone records and cell tower signals were the focus Thursday at the trial of Michael Rafferty, 31, who has pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder, sexual assault causing bodily harm and kidnapping in Tori's death.

Tori was abducted April 8, 2009, in Woodstock, but police didn't find her remains more than 100 kilometres north near Mount Forest until July 19 that year, after receiving records showing the call through the Mount Forest tower.

Police had been scouring



Michael Rafferty in a police handout photo. THE CANADIAN PRESS

rural areas north of Guelph for the Grade 3 student's remains for weeks, but the cellphone records prompted them to look near Mount Forest.

Voice call and data records from Rafferty's cellphone show that on April 8, 2009, the phone was in the Guelph area around 5 p.m., then travelled north through Fergus to the Mount Forest area — the route Rafferty is alleged to have taken with Tori in his car.

Little evidence has been

heard so far of Rafferty's activities on April 8 before his car was seen at a gas station near the school where Tori was abducted at 3:32 p.m., except that his car was also seen driving past the school that morning.

His cellphone records show a flurry of 14 phone calls to six different phone numbers made between 11:13 a.m. and 12:06 p.m., most lasting about 30 seconds. Cell tower data shows that all of those calls were made in Woodstock. The next voice activity on the phone was when a call was made to his own number, but at that time the phone was in Guelph.

The records also show dozens of text messages exchanged through Rafferty's phone on April 8. Court has heard from a series of Rafferty's ex-girlfriends that he was constantly on his BlackBerry. He told them he had a contracting business and was arranging jobs and that he taught dance and was arranging appointments, court heard.

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Kingston Penitentiary to close its doors

A view of the Kingston Penitentiary in October 2010. On Thursday, the federal government announced the closure of Canada's oldest prison, as well as the Leclerc prison north of Montreal as part of a cost-cutting move.

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Man arrested inside Iqaluit hospital after brief armed standoff

A man has been arrested and is undergoing a mental health assessment following a brief standoff between police and an armed man in a hospital waiting room in Iqaluit.

Police said the man carrying a rifle entered the Qikiqtani General Hospital shortly after noon Thursday.

"It's hard to tell right now exactly what the motive was," said RCMP Sgt. Kevin Lewis.

"We're not really sure

why he chose to attend at the hospital. I don't really know what his demands were."

One wing of the hospital was evacuated. The 35-bed facility is the main hospital in Nunavut and serves the whole territory.

A police negotiator was able to defuse the situation peacefully, Lewis said. There was no indication the man was drunk or on drugs.

"It was strictly a mental health issue with him," said

Lewis.

"He was up and down. Sometimes he was angry, sometimes he was sad."

After a brief spell in custody, the 23-year-old man was been taken back to the same hospital.

"We were thinking, 'Can we really bring him back to the hospital?'" said Lewis. "But that's where he has to go."

Lewis said it's not certain charges will be laid.

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StatsCan numbers

E.I. numbers on the decline provincewide

In February, Saskatchewan saw the second largest decline in people receiving Employment Insurance benefits

in the country, according to a Statistics Canada report, including a 17 per cent decline in Regina and an almost 15 per cent drop in Saskatoon.

Saskatchewan's rate fell by 3.8 per cent from January 2012, just behind Alberta at 4 per cent. In the year since February 2011, it fell six per cent. The number of people

receiving EI also fell in a total of six provinces, including Quebec, which fell by 3.4 per cent and Ontario, which saw a 2.9 per cent decline.

Yukon, Manitoba and New Brunswick saw an increase in people receiving EI benefits, with a 16 per cent increase over the year for Yukon.

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Starbucks to stop using dye derived from beetles

Starbucks says it will stop using a red dye in its drinks that is derived from crushed bugs.

The Seattle-based coffee chain said Thursday that it made the decision to reformulate its drinks after feedback from consumers.

The company says it will swap out cochineal extract, which is made from the juice of a tiny beetle, and instead use lycopene, a tomato-based extract. Starbucks had used the coloring in its strawberry flavoured mixed drinks and some red-hued snack items.

The company says the items will be reformulated by the end of June.

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International asset

CPP board acquires half of Chilean toll-road operator

The Canada Pension Plan Investment Board is committing \$1.14 billion to acquire about half ownership in five major toll roads in Chile, part of its strategy of making long-term investments to support future benefit payments. The rest of the Chilean company will be owned by the Atlantia Group, an Italian toll company.

Grupo Costanera will be another addition to the fund manager's other infrastructure holdings, which were worth \$8.6 billion as of Dec. 31.

However, the Chilean investment will represent a very small portion of the \$152.8 billion of assets in the CPP Fund as of the end of last year.

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Apple planning a smaller iPad?

Tech talk. Rumours of a forthcoming 'iPad Mini' persist after reports that Apple has ordered small screens from Samsung

There's a constantly spinning mill of rumours about Apple products, most of which turn out to be untrue. What's unusual this week is that talk has revived of a smaller iPad model, an idea company founder Steve Jobs derided before he died.

Apple and its suppliers aren't commenting. Rumours of a smaller iPad, or "iPad mini" have percolated ever since the first iPad was launched two years ago. This time around, they're fed by media reports from South Korea, China and Taiwan, saying Apple has ordered Samsung screens that are 7.86 inches measured on the diagonal. That would make for a screen about half the size of the current iPad.



Last year, Amazon figured out how to crack Apple's stranglehold on tablets by making a half-size tablet. The result was the Kindle Fire, pictured.

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A smaller tablet would help Apple further its lead in the tablet market. Apple has successfully fended off competitors who have tried to sell tablets in iPad's size range. But last year, Amazon.com figured out how to crack Apple's stranglehold on tablets by making a half-size, no-frills tablet. The result was the Kindle Fire, which sells for \$199 - basically, the cost of pro-

duction. Amazon has sold millions of them.

Apple sells the iPod Touch for \$199, but its screen is about a quarter of the size of the Kindle Fire — a big disadvantage for people who want to enjoy books, movies and games. It also sells the older iPad model for \$399. It has nothing in between.

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Social media

Twitter swears off patent wars

Some high-profile tech sector entrepreneurs are rallying behind a new Twitter policy that will see the micro-blogging service refrain from using patents to launch pre-emptive legal strikes against rivals.

Twitter announced a draft policy it calls the Innovator's Patent Agreement that includes a vow not to sue for patent infringement unless it is defensive and the original developer gives permission.

Along with empowering Twitter's engineering and design staff, the policy is aimed at curbing the wave of patent lawsuits sweeping across the tech sector.

Twitter posted the agreement, to be implemented later this year, on an open-source developers' site soliciting comments from tech companies and says it is encouraging firms to "join the flock."

The policy represents a significant departure from the current state of affairs in the industry, Twitter says. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Rupert and James Murdoch to testify at media ethics inquiry

Rupert Murdoch and his son James will testify before Britain's media ethics inquiry next week, officials said, as police announced the arrest of a man identified as the royal editor of Murdoch's scandal-tarred The Sun newspaper.

The Murdochs have been at the hub of the scandal over wrongdoing at their News Corp. media empire and the pair can expect fresh questions about what they knew and when they knew it.

Father and son previously gave a dramatic testimony before Parliament last year, but much more information has since spilled out into the public domain, including evidence that senior executives at News International, the company's U.K. newspaper arm, spearheaded an ambitious cover up involving the



James Murdoch
MIGUEL VILLAGRAN/GETTY IMAGES

deletion of incriminating emails.

The inquiry led by Lord Justice Brian Leveson said Thursday that Rupert Murdoch will appear on Wednesday and possibly the day after. His son, James is expected to appear

Tuesday.

While Rupert Murdoch has remained largely insulated from the crisis, several of his lieutenants have resigned and the scandal has tarnished his son's credibility over what went on while he was in charge at News International.

Since the scandal boiled over, James Murdoch has resigned from News International and stepped down as chairman of satellite broadcaster British Sky Broadcasting, moves that many observers saw as an effort to distance himself from the crisis.

Meanwhile at least 25 past and present employees of News International have been arrested in the police investigations of phone hacking, bribery and computer hacking.

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Pipeline. New Keystone route would skirt aquifer

TransCanada has come up with a new route for the controversial Keystone XL pipeline, one that would skirt a crucial aquifer in Nebraska in an attempt to allay White House concerns about the environmental impact of the \$7 billion project.

Company officials un-

veiled the new route on Thursday in Nebraska, submitting it to state officials for review.

The modified route would sweep around the state's environmentally fragile Sandhills region before joining up with the original proposed path of the pipeline.

Calgary-based TransCanada submitted the new proposed route after the Obama administration rejected its original proposal earlier this year when congressional Republicans tried to force U.S. President Barack Obama into a speedy approval.

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HOUSE OF TRUMP CARDS FALLS



THE LIST
Mike Benhaim
Metro

1 **House of Trump cards:** With regard to a glass window that fell from Toronto's new Trump Tower, Donald Jr. calmly stated, "If you know anything about

construction, that kind of thing just happens." So, you see folks, there's no reason to overreact. This man knows construction, and if he says that a large shard of glass falling 65 storeys onto one of the busiest streets in Toronto is no biggie, I, for one, feel better.

2 **Sport of kings:** The king of Spain's 13-year-old grandson has literally shot himself in the foot. Felipe Juan Froilan, was spending "quality time" with dad and a 36-calibre shotgun when the accident occurred.

The eldest royal grandchild, well-known to Spanish media as just "Froilan," will henceforth be referred to as "Hijo del Tonto," or in English, "Son of that really dumb guy."

3 **Hello, Goodbye:** Tickets for this summer's Garth Brooks show at the Calgary Stampede sold out in 58 seconds. Fans were outraged to find that some of the 15,322 tickets were available on "scalper" sites.

The stampede's publicity manager, Jennifer Booth, says tickets were available only through online and phone services, with no pre-sales or fan-club purchases, and a limit of six per person, providing yet another example of a job that doesn't require math.

4 **Surprise! No prize:** The Pulitzers were awarded this week for the usual categories like history, biography and non-fiction, but for the first time in 35 years, there was no prize for fiction. The judges did not explain their decision but I'm guessing it's because there's enough fiction in those other categories already.

5 **Race relations:** Mel Gibson is under fire once again for comments made on the set of his film about legendary Jewish hero, Judah Maccabee.

Gibson stated that he resents being reduced to the label of "anti-semitic," when he sees himself as a broader, equal-opportunity racist.

6 **Live from the dead:** Fans were surprised, and a little freaked out when Tupac Shakur hit the stage at the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival last week. A digital effects firm from California added mirrors to a CGI image of the late rap legend, creating the illusion that he was actually performing. Now, Snoop Dogg and Dr. Dre want to take him on tour. In fact, they prefer this Tupac as he incurs no travel costs or legal fees, and will not smoke any of their weed.

7 **She's got talent:** CGT judge, Measha Brueggergosman has released a new album on which she strays slightly from her operatic roots. Online sales of her last album dwindled slightly because frankly, her name's too hard to spell, but I think she is gifted enough to join Madonna and Cher in the ranks of the mononymous. So join me in the campaign to rename one of our nation's treasures. Just "Measha." It works.



A holographic image of Tupac Shakur is seen performing during Day 3 of the 2012 Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival at the Empire Polo Field on April 15 in Indio, Calif. KEVIN WINTER/GETTY IMAGES

Hanging on the edge (of a rock face)



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Cliff hanger

This is life, up against a wall

MAKAPANGSAT, SOUTH AFRICA. He is teetering on the edge of the cliff face, but British climber John Roberts is safe thanks to his trusty rope. This stunning image by seasoned climbing photographer Alex Messenger shows Roberts, 27, from Manchester, standing 100 metres above the African bush below.

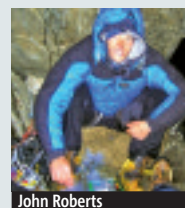
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"I try to convey the emotion of climbing in my shots and hope to make the viewer feel a little of what it's like to be up there."

Alex Messenger
Photographer that specializes in climbing

60 seconds



John Roberts

How did you manage to get stuck up there?

I was abseiling from the top of this cliff face in Makapansgat, a

paleontological limestone site in South Africa where important prehistoric fossils of man have been discovered. I stopped about halfway down to pose for the camera.

In situations when you slip, should you try to cling onto the rock face?

No, it's better if you just hang there for the moment and let the rope do the work for you.

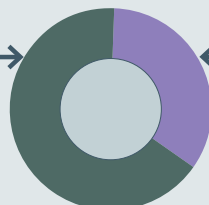
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Avatar is one of many memorable films that pack an environmental punch. HANDOUT

Reel Guys

RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



The green machine

Earth Day. The Reel Guys take a look at Hollywood's attempts to educate us about the environment

Richard: Mark, the Disney-nature docs are great movies, but I think I'll kick off our look at Earth Day with an animated movie that packs just as much punch as *An Inconvenient Truth* and is twice as entertaining. *Wall-E* is a Pixar movie about a garbage-collecting robot on Earth, a planet made unlivable by waste and pollution. It's a funny, poignant masterpiece and perfect for the whole family on April 22.

Mark: *Wall-E* is certainly a masterpiece. But what about

Avatar? There's a film with a strong environmental message. Of course, you can only wonder how big of a carbon footprint is made from a \$200 million movie. But the strangest irony, Richard, might be the two of us discussing environmentally friendly flicks when we spend most of our time in darkened rooms!

RC: That's the way I like it; inside looking out. I save a fortune on sun block as well. Continuing our theme, I thought of some good Earth Day thrillers. Everyone remembers Julia Roberts as Erin Brockovich, a legal assistant who uncovers some grave environmental wrongdoing, but how about *Frogs*? This eco-terror film is about frogs who get revenge on polluters. Or *The Day After Tomorrow*, Dennis Quaid's ode to climate change?

Synopsis

Each year on Earth Day Disney-nature does their part to increase awareness and build an appreciation of our planet's natural environment by releasing documentaries. This year, it's *Chimpanzee*. These spectacularly photographed movies show us the world in ways we have never seen before. This week the Reel Guys have a look at other movies that celebrate and comment on Earth Day.

MB: Now there's a movie serious environmentalists never bring up. Too exciting, I suppose. But what about the granddaddy of eco-catastrophe, *The China Syndrome*? Made in 1977, it's as relevant today on the anti-nuke issue as it was then. And it stars

Jane Fonda in her smokin'-hot-but-with-a-conscience period. Or *Silkwood*, also about nuclear contamination, starring Cher in her smokin'-hot-but-you'd-never-know-it-in-those-outfits period.

RC: You know another movie serious environmentalists don't ever watch? *Bio-Dome*. Back when people went to Paulie Shore movies he made this movie about an environmental experiment, predating Al Gore's global warming message by years. Could Shore be an Earth Day pioneer?

MB: Maybe! He's definitely a pioneer of the word "dude." But when you think about it, environmental themes are everywhere. Aren't zombie films really about sustainability? And aren't cannibal movies about the importance of eating fresh, and locally?

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SCENE

Scene in brief

Ben Mulroney goes Live! again

Ben Mulroney is set to co-host *Live!* with Kelly again, this time south of the border. The CTV *eTalk* co-anchor will join Kelly Ripa on her syndicated morning talk show in New York City on May 4, a month after he shared the stage with her during a taping in Banff, Alta. CTV, which airs *Live!* with Kelly in Canada, says the Banff episode featuring Mulroney as co-host garnered the show's highest audience ever in Canada, with 685,000 viewers. The guest on the May 4 episode will be Canadian Castle star Nathan Fillion.

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Stung by past failures, Hollywood is slowly warming to China's new embrace

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Documentary



Chimpanzee

Directors. Alastair Fothergill,
Mark Linfield

Stars. Tim Allen

Led by Tim Allen as narrator, the DisneyNature documentary *Chimpanzee* aims to entertain young audiences with a watered-down examination of the daily life of little orphaned ape Oscar. While the footage is certainly striking, the softened story is unfortunately less telling than the behind-the-scenes outtakes played over the end credits.

STEVE GOW

Quoted

"I think that it's the story of people who are going in to experience something they're passionate about, something that is basically changing the face of our culture today... "It's not like this film is an exposé.... I think the greatest thing that's proven by the film is that there's a little geek in everybody.... My mom would be able to go to Comic-Con and find something she liked."

Filmmaker Morgan Spurlock about his new documentary, *Comic-Con Episode IV: A Fan's Hope*.

Batmobile builder gets in driver's seat in cancer fight

Fundraiser. B.C. man brings Batman's ride to Burnaby to help raise money for cancer research

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With the help of a B.C. man., Batman will be cruising along Gotham and fighting the bad guys in style.

Deep Cove resident Andy Smith, the designer and builder of the newest Batmobile, showed off the caped crusader's hot wheels at the Electronic Arts studios in Burnaby to help raise money for cancer research earlier this week.

Smith said the Batmobile Tumbler was driven up from California on a flatbed truck uncovered and caused quite a commotion as it passed through the border.

Smith, along with a team of engineers, created the Batmobiles that were used for *Batman Begins*, *The Dark Knight* and the soon-to-be-released *The Dark Knight Rises*.

"Three years ago, I had my run-in with cancer," Smith said. "I was diagnosed and the cancer agency fixed me. I thought now I've got a chance to give something back."

He said bringing the Batmobile is his way of giving thanks to the doctors and the B.C. Cancer Agency who helped him during his fight with the disease.

"You're fit and healthy and life is rocking along and then the rug gets pulled out from underneath you and everything stops," he said. "I con-



Andy Smith, the designer and builder of the Batmobile Tumbler featured in the *Dark Knight Rises*, shows off the caped crusader's wheels Tuesday at the Electronic Arts studios in Burnaby. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS

sider myself extremely lucky ... (and now) I'm at the other side. I've been clear for three years."

Batman fans who donated to the B.C. Cancer Foundation scored a chance to see the Bat-

mobile up close at the Electronic Arts studios in Burnaby.

Smith said director Christopher Nolan likes to have realism in his films so he and his team build the Tumbler from scratch. It goes more

than 175 kilometres per hour and is powered by a 350 Chevy engine.

"It does everything you see it do," he added. "We jumped it over the freeway. We blew it up in midair and it still

drove back. We've driven it over police cars and thumped it through concrete walls."

The Batmobile Tumbler will hit movie screens this summer in *The Dark Knight Rises*.

Cannes it get any better than this?

Pattinson, LaBeouf, Efron and Pitt?

The festival is going to be even hotter than usual this year

The lineup of the 65th Cannes Film Festival was announced Thursday, with critics watching closely. Last year's crop yielded future Oscar winners *The Artist* and *Tree of Life*.

This year's features....

Amour

Master of tension, manipulation and mutilation, Aus-

trian Palme d'Or winner Michael Haneke returns with a tale of elderly music teachers (Jean-Louis Trintignant and Emmanuelle Riva) who suffer when the wife has a stroke. Things probably don't get better when their daughter (Isabelle Huppert) visits.

Cosmopolis

A millionaire (Pattinson) has issues in Manhattan, and we're supposed to care about him why? Because this is from writer Don DeLillo and directed by David Cronenberg, that's why.

Killing Them Softly

Formerly known as *Cogan's Trade*, this heist film reteams Pitt with director Andrew Dominik, of *Jesse James* fame. Professional mobsters James Gandolfini and Ray Liotta costar.

Lawless

It's the Depression era, and bootlegger brothers (Tom Hardy, Shia LaBeouf) have a hard time at it, in this from *The Road* director John Hillcoat.

Moonrise Kingdom

Wes Anderson heads to a 1960s summer camp for his latest twee tale, starring Bruce Willis, Bill Murray,

Tilda Swinton, Edward Norton, Frances McDormand and everyone else cool in the world.

On the Road

Jack Kerouac's classic finally (regretfully?) gets a movie version, this directed by *The Motorcycle Diaries* filmmaker Walter Salles.

The Paperboy

By far the biggest wild card here, this is an erotic thriller starring Zac Efron and Nicole Kidman, from Lee Daniels, the director of the not-erotic *Precious*.

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Brad Pitt stars in *Killing Them Softly*.
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Alison Brie shares her tricks for being Blunt

The Five-Year Engagement. Actress had to 'stalk' Emily Blunt to learn her mannerisms, speaking patterns for the role of Blunt's sister

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Alison Brie, familiar to fans of TV's *Community* and *Mad Men*, has been asked to do a lot of things before as an actress, but never to play British. And in the *Five-Year Engagement*, the request was a bit more specific than just play British: She had to be believable as Emily Blunt's sister. So, to prepare, Brie immersed herself in Blunt, watching everything she'd done, listening to tapes of her speaking, following her around all day — stalking, basically. Anything to nail a part, right?

Did shadowing Emily so much to get the voice right ever get weird?

It looked like I was Single White Female-ing her a lot of the time (laughs). If someone had taken a picture from across the room, it would've been weird — like her just laughing and talking, and me next to her just (staring intently), whispering what she was saying. But it didn't get weird, no. Not with Emily. Sometimes

TV updates

Alison Brie also has plenty of small screen work, appearing on the critically acclaimed *Mad Men*, which just launched its fifth season, and *Community*, which despite its extremely loyal — if small — fan-base is in danger of cancellation.

when we'd all be out, she'd have me do it. "She does a great mel!" I was like, "Great..."

Were there moments when you'd say something and she'd ask, "Do I really sound like that?"

No, no. I think she'd more correct me, like, "I don't sound like that."

You have a standout scene toasting the happy couple — and weeping uncontrollably. How much of that was improvised?

It was very collaborative. I remember we got to set that day, and (director) Nick Stoller came up and he was like, "You know, we're not totally sold with what we have in the script for this, so whatever ideas you have, we'll all just kind of work on it today." So there's definitely a lot of different versions of that. There's one with me dancing, doing the robot. It always involved me crying and sort of not being able to get through crying. Nick was like, "What other



Alison Brie stars in *The Five-Year Engagement*, which opens next Friday.

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ways... try to make yourself stop crying!" And apparently the way that I make myself stop crying is talking in a creepy, low voice. Good to know about myself!

The supporting cast is full of NBC sitcom actors, like Chris Pratt, Mindy Kaling and Chris Parnell. Plus Emily is married to John

Krasinski from *The Office*. Did you all ever gang up on Jason Segel, since his show is on CBS?

No! No, not at all. I think it was a ploy on his part, he kept us pretty spaced out. I didn't have any scenes with Mindy. They didn't have us all together to gang up on him. He kept us apart so we couldn't.

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If Today Was Your Last Day

A move to the 'burbs?

Though they've only been dating six months, Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds are reportedly ready to settle down in the suburbs, according to Us Weekly.

The two actors "have been looking around different areas of Connecticut," a source claims, citing a recent trip the pair took to the posh suburb of New Canaan to sightsee.

"They love getting out of the city and appreciate a slower pace." Another source says that moving in together is the next logical step, given how close they've become. "Ryan is practically living with her already," the source says. "When he's at her apartment, it feels like home."



Carey Mulligan set to tie the knot: Report

Carey Mulligan and musician Marcus Mumford are reportedly getting married this weekend during a ceremony in the English countryside, according to Radar Online.

"Carey and Marcus are counting down the days till they tie the knot. She is absolutely walking on air and can hardly contain her excitement," a source says.

"They don't care that some of their friends think they are rushing things." The couple have been engaged for nine months and dating for about a year, though they first got to know each other as pen pals when they were teenagers.

"It's going to be an amazing weekend as they



Carey Mulligan

will be surrounded by their closest family and friends," the source says.

"It's a dream come true for Carey."

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Vanessa Lachey on pregnancy, Nick



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Vanessa Lachey is a very dutiful pregnant woman, saying she's "only gotten better" as she's entered her second trimester.

Really? She doesn't miss, say, scotch?

"Honestly, when people have drinks around me, the smell makes me want to vomit. I haven't even missed coffee too much. I feel like you are giving up these things for a great reason," she told us about her pregnancy while promoting Take

a Load Off day on behalf of P&G Future Friendly and Tide Coldwater, which is encouraging the public to only wash their clothing in cold water this Earth Day to save on energy costs.

However, this very pregnant lady called shenanigans on Mrs. Lachey, as, come on, there has to be one complaint. (Vomiting? Swollen ankles? Give us something here, Vanessa!). And only after a little badgering from yours truly did she fess up to one complaint.

"Fatigue hit me hard," she finally admitted. "Sometimes I'll hit the couch for two or three hours and feel like I have to apologize to Nick, like: 'I'm sorry I'm so lazy!'"

Vanessa Lachey is a better pregnant lady than I. Two hours on the couch is my exercise for the day — but it only counts as exercise if I keep my eyes open the entire time.



Michael Jackson ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Is the bodyguard the real father to Blanket?

Michael Jackson's former bodyguard, Matt Fiddes, claims the late singer's youngest child is actually his biological son — and he's willing to prove it.

Fiddes says Jackson even told him the truth after baby Blanket was born.

"I sat there and asked the question, 'Is Blanket my child?'" Fiddes tells the Daily Star. "He said, 'He's my child, Matt, but I used your sperm to produce him.'"

Standing in his way, though, is Michael's mother, Katherine Jackson, who has sole custody of the child.

"Katherine's worried we will come after the estate and will tell the kids the truth," Fiddes says. "But to me the truth is the big issue, and that's why I want to take it further. I'm a self-made man, I don't want or need their money. All I want is access if he's my child, to take him out, and spend some time together."

A romantic getaway for Brad and Angie

Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie know how to celebrate a happy occasion. The newly engaged couple reportedly packed up their family and took a private jet to Ecuador, then a luxury yacht to the Galapagos Islands, where they're vacationing at the Royal Palm Hotel, according to People magazine.

"We were informed that they arrived at the airport in Baltra yesterday," a source says. "Then they made their way over to a villa in the Galapagos Islands." Pitt apparently popped the question during Christmas after spending a year working on the design of the engagement ring.

Twitter



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On route to China!!!! Excited!!!!



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So many people discovering the original Star Trek series. Warms my Vulcan heart.



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What's beef without the perfect wine?



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Hamburgers seem to be making a comeback, and I'm not talking about the fast food variety.

The gourmet burger scene is red hot with the population of ultra premium joints exploding across the country.

What differentiates them from the average patty flipper is the originality of their output (Kobe beef anyone?) and the, ahem, higher prices.

My home versions are a tad more pedestrian. Even I can make a decent attempt from scratch, and the surprisingly pleasant weather has got me firing up the barbecue earlier than usual.

Some might argue that wasting anything above a simple table wine on a hamburger is just shy of sacrilegious. With most of us lathering our meat with cheese and a cornucopia of condiments; the flavour profile of a standard backyard creation is anything but typical.

A mid-priced merlot is a classic grilling mate with California's Woodbridge

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This recipe makes six servings. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

Fast-food-inspired beef bites for all tastes

Cheeseburger Mini Meat Loaves. Kids will love the flavour and adults will love how quickly they can be prepared for dinner

The fast-food flavours of this recipe will whet any kid's palate, and adults will appreciate how fast the mini loaves cook compared to regular meat loaf.

For a wholesome meal that is ready when you are, make them ahead and freeze some mini meat

loaves.

Wrap each cooled meat loaf separately in plastic wrap or foil, then freeze for up to three months.

When you're ready to serve them, thaw the meat and heat them in the microwave in just minutes.

1. In bowl, combine beef, egg, 125 ml (1/2 cup) of the cheese, onion, bread crumbs, relish, mustard, salt and pepper. Mix lightly but thoroughly to blend.

2. Lightly spray 12 muffin or custard cups with cooking spray. Divide beef mixture among cups; make in-

dentation in centre of each with the back of a spoon.

3. Fill each with ketchup, dividing amount evenly among cups. Sprinkle each with remaining cheese, dividing equally.

4. Bake in a 190 C (375 F) oven for 25 to 30 minutes or until a digital rapid-read thermometer inserted into meat portion of each reads 71 C (160 F).

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Ingredients

- 750 g (1 1/2 lb) extra lean or lean ground round, chuck or sirloin
- 1 egg, beaten
- 250 ml (1 cup) shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 small finely shredded onion
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) dry bread crumbs
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) each burger relish and prepared mustard
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) each salt and pepper
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) ketchup

Asian Meatballs. Serve these eats with a crunchy Speedy Slaw

Kids love ground beef, especially when served as these brochure-style meatballs with plum sauce for dipping and some crunchy slaw on the side. You

could also make the meatballs recipe into burgers and serve with the slaw as a topper.

1. In a bowl, lightly combine

beef, wheat germ, onions, soy sauce, ginger root, egg and pepper. Gently form into about 30 meatballs (each about 2.5 cm/1 inch in diameter).

2. Bake on a lightly oiled, foil-lined baking tray in a 200 C (400 F) oven for 10 to 15 minutes or until a digital rapid-read thermometer inserted into centre of several meatballs reads 71 C (160 F).

3. Thread 3 meatballs on each skewer and serve with slaw.

4. Speedy Slaw: In a bowl, whisk together vinegar, sugar, vegetable oil, Dijon and sesame oil. Toss with salad mix, green onion, snow peas, water chestnuts and peanuts.

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Ingredients

- 500 g (1 lb) lean/extra lean ground beef sirloin
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) wheat germ
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) sodium reduced soy sauce
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) finely grated fresh ginger
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) pepper

Speedy Slaw

- 50 ml (1/4 cup) rice vinegar
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) granulated sugar
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) vegetable oil
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) Dijon mustard
- 5 ml (1 tsp) sesame oil
- Half a bag (454-ml/16-oz size) coleslaw salad mix

- 1 green onion, sliced
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) snow peas, halved lengthwise
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) canned sliced water chestnuts (drained and halved)
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) roasted shelled peanuts

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KEEN BEING GREEN

SHOPPING CHOICES ARE A GOOD WAY TO SEND A MESSAGE

Pro-sumers are the new environmentally friendly consumer, says Keith Treffry, director of communications, Earth Day Canada.

Treffry defines a “prosumer” as someone who is environmentally proactive and aware when they shop.

“The goal is to make informed decisions and to purchase items that have the least impact on the environment — if a purchase is made at all.”

Here are the types of questions prosumers ask when weighing their buying decisions.

- Do I need this or just want it? “Err more on the side of really needing things instead of just wanting things,” says Treffry.

WHAT YOU DON'T BUY ALSO COUNTS

The consumer products that Keith Treffry at Earth Day Canada doesn't buy sends just as big a message as what he does buy.

- Has a small, high-efficiency air conditioner, but relies most on natural cooling methods in the summer — shutting blinds and curtains during the day and opening windows at night.

- Can I make do with what I already have at home? While resisting peer pressure can be tough, try not to be pressured into buying the latest product. It's likely

- Bought a push mower instead of gas- or electric-powered.
- Shares tools and ladders with neighbours — “rather than each one of us buying our own.”
- Shares a car with his ex-wife (whoever has the kids gets the car).
- He doesn't drive to work — bikes all year round.

that by the time you buy it, a newer, slightly modified version will be out.

- How will this purchase impact the environment? One big consideration is

packaging. Avoid overpackaged goods or leave packaging behind to send a message to the retailer and manufacturer.

- How green is the product in terms of its manufacture? Do some research and find out what the reputation of the manufacturer is in terms of environmental record and corporate social responsibility.

- Once you are finished with the product, how long will it take for it to be reintegrated into the Earth, or is that even possible?

Remember that recycling should be the last resort. First, think about reducing and then reusing.



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FRUITS OF THEIR LABOUR

GARDEN PROJECT UNITES CULTURE AND TRADITION WITH HARVEST

These days, the people of Garden River, Ont., are using gardening as a way to unite Anishinaabe people, especially youth, with the culture and traditions of their past.

For the fourth consecutive year, students in the Adults in Motion program — age 16 to 65 — will participate in maintaining the reserve's existing community garden for a full growing season. Students will participate in everything from seed-

harvesting, and then organize a community feast with the fruits — and vegetables — of their labours.

Natalie Barry, director of education for Garden River, says the harvest feast is a good way to bring the community together. It's also a good way for students, who get credit for the course, to learn traditional native skills of providing for themselves.

Native elders and others in the community have been asked to participate. They will help advise on sustainable growing practices, such as composting and fertil-

ization alternatives, and will familiarize students with plants specific to Aboriginal medicinal practices, like sage and sweetgrass.

"We try to incorporate native traditions in everything we do," Barry says.

Last year, when Garden River partnered with the Algoma District School Board in Sault Ste. Marie, students were able, for the first time, to get high school credits for their gardening.

"We're hoping to duplicate that this year," Barry says.

But the bigger focus will be constructing the new greenhouse that promises to significantly extend the growing season, she adds. The school has already received funding for the greenhouse and Barry anticipates construction will start around July, about the same time that summer courses start.

Currently, about 20 families share the garden, but it's hoped that the course will encourage students to continue gardening — in both modern and traditional ways — and thus expand its reach. Given the Aboriginal regard for Earth, as a call to stewardship rather than ownership, the community gardening, harvesting and feasting is a proper and fitting Earth Day tribute.

— Alex Newman



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HIGH-QUALITY PRODUCE

Garden River — or Ketegaunseebee — refers to land near Sault Ste. Marie belonging to the Anishinaabe First Nations people.

Long before the Jesuit missionaries arrived in the early 1600s, the St. Mary's River served as their water route to the west. In the early days of the fur trade, when the banks of the river were lined with white pine trees, the Anishinaabe sold their high-quality produce from the banks of the river to those passing by in boats.

To the Anishinaabe and their chief, Shingwaukonce, Garden River was a place where they could farm and hunt — what they called a "Creator's garden."

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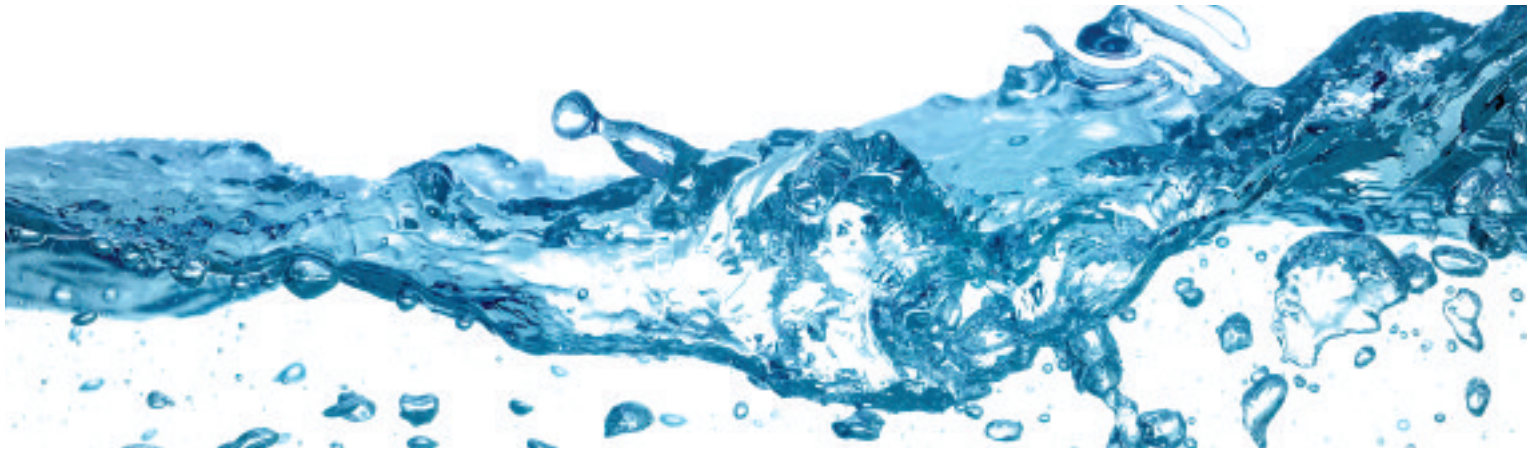


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SMART WATER CHOICE HELPS THE PLANET

DROP THOSE DISPOSABLE WATER BOTTLES FOR GOOD

Making a green resolution this Earth Day? How about giving up disposable water bottles for good? Not only will your wallet thank you, but using fewer water bottles also does the Earth good.

Start to finish, there are several environmental-related

issues related to these disposables, notes Jed Goldberg, president of Toronto-based Earth Day Canada.

“On the environmental side, the bottles themselves are made from oil so there’s an issue regarding fossil fuel use,” says Goldberg.

“About two-thirds of bottled water comes from some kind of stream or river and the extraction of that uses a

BY THE NUMBERS

- The Canadian Bottled Water Association notes that bottled water packaging accounts for 40 per cent of all plastic beverage container packaging.
- The plastic required to create all the water bottles used by Canadians each year weighs more than 1,300 empty Boeing 747 airplanes.
- Energy used to make them is enough to power 190,000 homes.

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- Canadians are drinking less bottled water. Statistics Canada reports that in 2009, 24 per cent of households drank bottled water as their primary source of water. That was down 30 per cent from 2007.

tremendous amount of energy and then the transportation of it.”

The industry also uses an estimated three litres of water to produce one litre of bottled water, and there is a lot of energy that goes into the processing of the water, adds Jode Roberts, spokesperson for the Vancouver-based David Suzuki Foundation.

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SPORTS

Quoted

"When our kids see this beautiful game where the idea is to injure someone, or to escalate the level of conflict every time the play stops, it's just not the way we raise our children."

Governor General David Johnston, who said Thursday that violence during the NHL playoffs is anti-Canadian and sets a worrisome example for children aspiring to be hockey players.

On the web



Hall of famer Larry Brown is dusting off his clipboard to take another kick at the coaching can. The 71-year-old was hired Thursday at SMU, a struggling NCAA basketball program that is headed to the Big East after next season. Scan the code for the story.



Sidney Crosby and Marc-Andre Fleury celebrate after winning Game 4 10-3 against the Philadelphia Flyers Wednesday in Philadelphia. MATT SLOCUM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pens and Flyers search for normalcy

NHL. Wild series has included Sidney Crosby dropping his gloves and a 10-3 blowout

Sidney Crosby keeps waiting for the madness to stop. Keeps expecting the law of averages to kick in. Keeps wondering when the series between the Flyers and the Penguins will start to resemble something close to playoff hockey.

And the games pass, and the goals and the fights and

the penalties and the suspensions pile up, and the series continues to look like something played with joysticks, not hockey sticks.

"I think it's all kind of crossed our mind and probably a lot of other people's too," Crosby said. "You see that happen maybe once and you kind of think, 'Oh, that's a weird game' and then in four games it's surprising but we've got to find ways to adjust and ways to win."

The Penguins finally found a way in Game 4, staving off elimination with a

resounding 10-3 victory that silenced — at least for a night — critics who wondered if Pittsburgh was going to even bother showing up.

Yet for all the frustration released in 60 minutes of largely brilliant hockey, the Penguins are well aware it will mean little if they can't build on it in Game 5 on Friday night.

"The way we looked at it, it didn't matter if it was 2-1 or 10-3," defenceman Brooks Orpik said. "It's still only one win. You don't get any extra points for beating them

Comebacks

- The Flyers know what it's like to be down 3-0 in a series to win.
- They did it two years ago in the Eastern Conference semifinals against Boston.

by seven goals. We've dug ourselves a big hole and we just have to chip away at it, little by little here."

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NHL. Gretzky surprised by violence

If old-time hockey is back, it's left many — from Al Arbour to Wayne Gretzky and even Don Cherry — questioning whether they like the gritty sequel.

Stopping well short of making comparisons to the bloody, gap-toothed Broad Street Bully era of the 1970s, Arbour is upset with the head-hunting hits and suspension-a-day headlines dominating the first round of the NHL playoffs.

"It surprises me," the retired hall of fame coach said by phone from his home in Florida. "Never mind what it was in our day. It's getting carried away. They're getting

carried away with everything. They're reckless in what they're doing right now."

He's not alone in wondering whether today's game is crossing the line from thrilling to tuggery.

"It's a little bit risqué right now, there's no question," Gretzky told Philadelphia's Fanatic-Radio, while noting he's most surprised by how star players are being targeted.

"They talk about the Flyers back in the '70s, guys like Bobby Kelly, Moose Dupont and Dave Schultz. But you never really saw those guys go after guys like Bobby Orr or Mario Lemieux or Phil



Wayne Gretzky
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Esposito," Gretzky said. "It was just sort of honest, hard, rough-nosed hockey."

"And it's changed."

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Curling. Scott Howard gets win over his dad

It was less than two weeks ago that Scott and his father Glenn Howard were celebrating after their victory at the world men's curling championship in Switzerland.

On Thursday, they were opponents at the Sun Life Financial Players' Championship in Prince Edward Island and the youngster came through with an upset victory.

Scott, who plays second for John Epping's Toronto rink, helped his team to a 6-3 win at Credit Union Place.

The elder Howard strug-

Canadian athletics

Bobsled champ among hall-of-fame inductees

Pierre Lueders, the Olympic bobsled champion who drove Canada into the world's elite in the sport, joins eight others who will be inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame later this year.

Hockey player Scott Niedermayer, speedskater Jeremy Wotherspoon, soccer player Charmaine Hooper, rower Derek Porter and the figure skating pair of Jamie Sale and David Pelletier are the athletes joining Lueders in the class of 2012.

The late Daryl (Doc) Seaman, an owner of the Calgary Flames, and Marion Lay, an athlete-turned-advocate, join them as builders.

Their induction ceremony will be Oct. 18.

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Pierre Lueders at a news conference Thursday in Calgary.
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NFL

Luck to be Colts No. 1 pick: Source

A person with direct knowledge of the situation said Thursday the Colts have notified Andrew Luck that they plan to take the Stanford quarterback with the No. 1 pick in next week's NFL draft, barring some unforeseen event between now and then. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the team has not publicly disclosed its plan.

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Quoted

"Good win over pops.. Move to 2-1!! Koe tonight"

Scott Howard tweeted after the win

gled early, coming up short on a draw in the first end.

The elder Howard teamed with Middaugh, Brent Laing and Craig Savill to win world gold at St. Jakobshalle earlier this month. Scott was an alternate on the team.

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Crossword

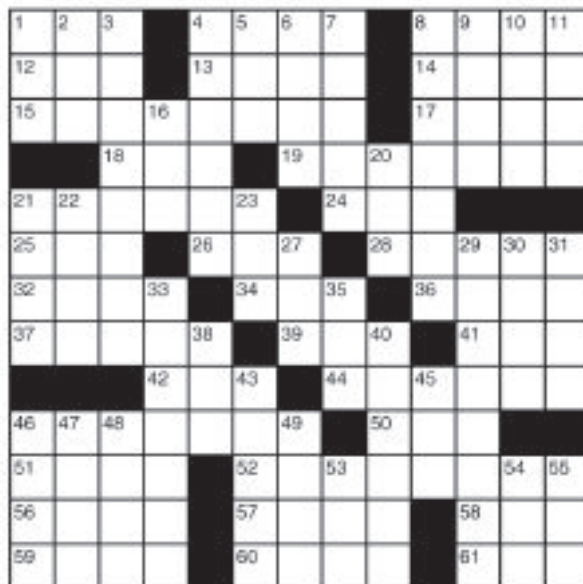
Across

- 1 Tummy muscles
- 4 Not up yet
- 8 Conceal in the hand
- 12 Attack dog's command
- 13 Approach
- 14 Largest of the seven
- 15 "The Departed" director
- 17 Gets stuck
- 18 Tier
- 19 Convict's dreams
- 21 Pele's game
- 24 Bottom line
- 25 Blond shade
- 26 Bad hairpiece
- 28 Turkish official
- 32 Mirth
- 34 "1 vs. 100" group
- 36 Wound cover
- 37 Heart line?
- 39 Homer's interjection
- 41 Raw rock
- 42 With it
- 44 Keg
- 46 Additionally
- 50 Stannum
- 51 Oil acronym
- 52 Venomous arachnid
- 56 Mrs. Zeus
- 57 Color quality
- 58 Cagers' grp.
- 59 Authentic

- 60 Due
- 61 Show-biz job

Down

- 1 Balaam's mount
- 2 Pen name
- 3 Really hot day
- 4 Question, on "Jeopardy!"
- 5 Quilters' get-together
- 6 Relaxation
- 7 Gown
- 8 Sleepover raiments
- 9 Now, in a memo
- 10 Rickey flavor
- 11 Sunday service
- 16 Sinbad's bird
- 20 Golfer's target
- 21 "The Forsyte —"
- 22 Scandinavian city
- 23 Pirates' quaff
- 27 Pantheon member
- 29 Disdainful treatment
- 30 Aesopian also-ran
- 31 First victim
- 33 Moral
- 35 Go up and down
- 38 Succor
- 40 Odium
- 43 Trattoria sauce
- 45 Wardrobe malfunction
- 46 Physicist Niels



- 47 Duel tool
- 48 Antitoxins
- 49 Garbage barge

- 53 Indivisible
- 54 Sapporo sash
- 55 Gripe repeatedly

Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

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RKZQ BNEQA-PWLLQA
IBLPWQR KLQ IKTOP RBC
EGBE CKT ZWLIQ ZWLER
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: FLICK ABOUT A GIFTED
GECKO WHO GROWS UP TO BE A WHIZ-BANG
CARPENTER: "THE LIZARD OF SAWS."
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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.

With mind planet Mercury in your sign forming a less than helpful link to your ruler Mars, there's a danger you'll miss something important.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

You need to plan ahead and know what you intend to do. Then and only then should you take action.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20. Financial matters will generally go well today but that is not an invitation to take unnecessary risks.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

Someone whose power far exceeds your own will make life difficult for you today. If you stay calm and refuse to be intimidated, you'll be OK.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.

Just because someone is not very good at expressing him or herself does not mean he or she has nothing to say. Bear that in mind today.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

Today's Mars-Mercury link suggests what you think is going on bears no relation to what is really going on.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. You can't take the credit when things go right but deny it's your fault when things go wrong.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

It's quite likely that someone is trying to confuse you by feeding you information that points you in several directions at once.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

Like it or not, it is now your responsibility to deal with a situation that everyone else has tried to resolve but failed.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.

No amount of reasoned argument will get you to change your point of view. Let friends know that.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.

It's unlikely you'll see eye-to-eye with people in authority today. Don't start a war over everything you know.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

There is something going on but you can't put your finger on what it is. Try not to chase it so hard. It'll come to you. **SALLY BROMPTON**

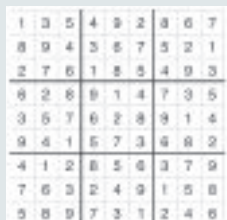
Sudoku



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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku



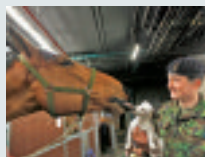
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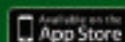
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